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TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 04-23
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
1055 AM EDT WED JUNE 09 2004

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS...NOAA WEATHER
WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS...EMERGENCY MANAGERS
WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/ SUBSCRIBERS...
OTHER NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ CUSTOMERS AND
PARTNERS...NWS EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: QUARTERLY SUPER COMPUTER BACKUP TEST ON JULY 14 2004

ON WEDNESDAY...JULY 14 2004 AT 1200 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME
/UTC/ THE NATIONAL CENTERS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PREDICTION /NCEP/
WILL EXERCISE ITS BACKUP MODEL DISSEMINATION SYSTEM. THIS
EXERCISE WILL BE CONDUCTED DURING THE 1200 UTC MODEL CYCLE.
DURING THIS TEST NO NCEP MODEL GUIDANCE WILL BE AVAILABLE.
INSTEAD...LOOK ALIKE PRODUCTS FROM FLEET NUMERICAL
OCEANOGRAPHICAL CENTER /FNMOC/...AIR FORCE WEATHER AGENCY /AFWA/
...FORECAST SYSTEMS LABORATORY /FSL/...AND THE UNITED KINGDOM
METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE /UKMET/ WILL BE DISSEMINATED. AT THE
CONCLUSION OF THIS TEST.../APPROXIMATELY 1900 UTC/...NCEP WILL
DISSEMINATE NESTED GRID MODEL /NGM/ AND GLOBAL FORECAST SYSTEM
/GFS/ MODEL OUTPUT STATISTICS /MOS/ OUTPUT.

IF WEATHER CONDITIONS PRECLUDE PERFORMING THIS EXERCISE ON JULY
14 2004...WE WILL ATTEMPT THIS AGAIN THE FOLLOWING DAY...JULY 15
2004.

FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE TYPE OF PRODUCTS AVAILABLE FROM THE
BACKUP PROCESSING AND THEIR APPROXIMATE DELIVERY TIMES CAN BE
FOUND AT THE FOLLOWING WEB SITE /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

[HTTP://WWW.NCO.NCEP.NOAA.GOV/PMB/NCEPBK/NCEP_BACKUP.HTML](http://WWW.NCO.NCEP.NOAA.GOV/PMB/NCEPBK/NCEP_BACKUP.HTML)

AS ALWAYS...NCEP APPRECIATES YOUR PATIENCE DURING THESE
EXERCISES...WHICH ARE NECESSARY TO ASSURE THE CONTINUED FLOW OF
MODEL GUIDANCE IN THE EVENT OF AN OUTAGE AT THE NCEP SUPER
COMPUTER FACILITY.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE NCEP SUPER COMPUTER
BACKUP TEST...PLEASE CONTACT:

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